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### 6.01 COST OF CRC (COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL CARE)

a. The cost of care shall normally cover the following services:

- (1) Room
- (2) Food
- (3) Laundry
- (4) Transportation
- (5) Twenty-four hour supervision, if indicated, and
- (6) Care as defined in the Statement of Need.

b. Payment for the charges of CRC are the responsibility of the veteran and not the responsibility of the United States Government.

c. The resident or an authorized personal representative and a representative of the CRC facility must agree upon the charge and payment procedures for care.

d. All financial arrangements between the facility operator/provider and resident shall be documented in the records.

### 6.02 FEES FOR CRC CARE

a. The charges for CRC must be reasonable and established and approved by the program coordinator in accordance with this paragraph.

b. For residents in a CRC facility as of June 14, 1989, the rates charged for care are pegged to the facility's basic rate for care as of July 31, 1987. Increases in the pegged rate during any subsequent calendar year cannot exceed the annual percentage increase in the National CPI (Consumer Price Index) for that year.

c. Rates for CRC facilities approved after July 31, 1987, shall not exceed 110 percent of the average rate for VA-approved facilities in that state as of March 31, 1987. Increases in this rate during any calendar year cannot exceed the annual percentage increase in the National CPI for that year.

d. The approving official may approve a deviation from the above stated requirements, on the recommendation of the program coordinator, when it is determined that the cost of care for the resident will be greater than the average cost of care for other residents or if the resident chooses to pay more for the care provided at a facility which exceeds VA standards. Requests for a deviation may be received from a CRC facility representative, a resident in the facility, an applicant for residency or another interested party.

**NOTE:** *Individual resident's rates will differ from a facility's average rate.*